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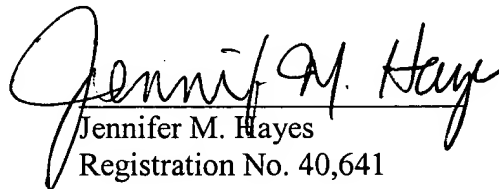
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final Office Action dated June 12, 2001.

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